# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

| RYAN | ORTIZ,     |
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|      | Plaintiff, |
| MC   |            |

**DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL** 

GLOBAL ACCEPTANCE CREDIT COMPANY, Defendant.

### **COMPLAINT & JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff, Ryan Ortiz, through counsel, Nitzkin and Associates, by Gary Nitzkin states the following claims for relief:

# **JURISDICTION**

- This court has jurisdiction under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("FDCPA"), 15
   U.S.C. §1692k(d) and 28 U.S.C. §§1331,1337.
- This court may exercise supplemental jurisdiction over the related state law claims arising out of the same nucleus of operative facts which give rise to the Federal law claims.

# **PARTIES**

The Defendant to this lawsuit is Global Acceptance Credit Company, LP which is a
Texas company that maintains registered offices in Tarrant County.

## VENUE

- 4. The transactions and occurrences which give rise to this action occurred in Oakland County.
- 5. Venue is proper in the Eastern District of Michigan.

## **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 6. Defendant is attempting to collect a consumer type debt allegedly owed by Plaintiff to Everest Institute in the amount of about \$9,923.00.
- 7. On or about March 22, 2012, Defendant called Plaintiff's brother's house and spoke with Plaintiff's brother, Adam.
- 8. Adam gave Plaintiff a message from the defendant to call the defendant back.
- 9. On or about March 23, 2012, Plaintiff contacted the defendant.
- 10. Plaintiff spoke with two collectors neither of whom ever identify themselves as debt

### VIOLATION OF THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT

- 11. Plaintiff reincorporates the preceding allegations by reference.
- 12. At all relevant times Defendant, in the ordinary course of its business, regularly engaged in the practice of collecting debts on behalf of other individuals or entities.
- 13. Plaintiff is a "consumer" for purposes of the FDCPA and the account at issue in this case is a consumer debt.
- 14. Defendant is a "debt collector" under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act ("FDCPA"),15 U.S.C. §1692a(6).

- 15. Defendant's foregoing acts in attempting to collect this alleged debt violated 15 U.S.C.§1692 et. seq;
- 16. The Plaintiff has suffered economic, emotional, general and statutory damages as a result of these violations of the FDCPA.

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Plaintiff demands trial by jury in this action.

# DEMAND FOR JUDGMENT FOR RELIEF

Accordingly, Plaintiff requests that the Court grant him the following relief against the defendant:

- a. Actual damages.
- b. Statutory damages.
- c. Treble damages.
- d. Statutory costs and attorney fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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